



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of: FISH

Application No.: 09/763,415

Filed: May 16, 2001

For: METHOD AND KIT FOR THE DETERMINATION...

Conf. No. 9137

Art Unit: 1645

Examiner: J.A. HINES

Washington, D.C.

Atty.'s Docket: FISH 4

Date: July 21, 2003

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Transmitted herewith is a [ ] Amendment [ X ] Amendment After Final  
in the above-identified application.

[ ] Small Entity Status: Applicant(s) claim small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.

[ ] No additional fee is required.

[X] The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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TOTAL	10	MINUS	** 20	0
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FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				

ADDITIONAL FEE TOTAL

SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
x 9	\$
x 42	\$
+ 140	\$
ADDITIONAL FEE TOTAL	

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
x 18	\$
x 84	\$
+ 280	\$
TOTAL	

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[XX] Conditional Petition for Extension of Time  
If any extension of time for a response is required, applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor.

[XX] It is hereby petitioned for an extension of time in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a). The appropriate fee required by 37 CFR 1.17 is calculated as shown below:

Small Entity  
Response Filed Within

- [ ] First - \$ 55.00
- [ ] Second - \$ 205.00
- [X] Third - \$ 465.00
- [ ] Fourth - \$ 725.00

Month After Time Period Set

Other Than Small Entity  
Response Filed Within

- [XX] First - \$ 110.00
- [ ] Second - \$ 410.00
- [ ] Third - \$ 930.00
- [ ] Fourth - \$ 1450.00

Month After Time Period Set

[ ] Less fees (\$ ) already paid for month(s) extension of time on .

[ ] Please charge my Deposit Account No. 02-4035 in the amount of \$ .

[XX] Credit Card Payment Form, PTO-2038, is attached, authorizing payment in the amount of \$110.00.

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[XX] The Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge any additional fees which may be required in connection with this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4035. This authorization and request is not limited to payment of all fees associated with this communication, including any Extension of Time fee, not covered by check or specific authorization, but is also intended to include all fees for the presentation of extra claims under 37 CFR §1.16 and all patent processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17 throughout the prosecution of the case. This blanket authorization does not include patent issue fees under 37 CFR §1.18.

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In response to the Office Action of  
March 20, 2003, for which a one-month extension of time  
to respond is hereby requested, please enter the  
following amendment:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of  
claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.

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